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chapter, but not exceeding \$361,000,000 \$461,000,000 in the principal amount at any one time outstanding exclusive of refundings, for any purpose described in section 1969, subsection 1.

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#### **CHAPTER 60**

# S.P. 22 - L.D. 24

#### An Act To Make Failure To Wear a Seat Belt a Primary Offense

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2081, sub-§3-A, as amended by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. AAA, §3, is further amended to read:

3-A. Other passengers 18 years of age and older; operators. When a person 18 years of age or older is a passenger in a vehicle that is required by the United States Department of Transportation to be equipped with seat belts, the passenger must be properly secured in a seat belt. Each such passenger is responsible for wearing a seat belt as required by this subsection, and a passenger that fails to wear a seat belt as required by this subsection is subject to the enforcement provisions of subsection 4. The operator of a vehicle that is required by the United States Department of Transportation to be equipped with seat belts must be secured in the operator's seat belt. Violation of this subsection is a traffic infraction for which a fine of \$50 for the first offense, \$125 for the 2nd offense and \$250 for the 3rd and subsequent offenses must be imposed. A fine imposed under this subsection may not be suspended by the court. A vehicle, the contents of a vehicle, the driver of or a passenger in a vehicle may not be inspected or searched solely because of a violation of this subsection

**Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §2081, sub-§4, ¶E,** as amended by PL 1997, c. 450, §3 and affected by §5, is repealed.

**Sec. 3. Warning required.** Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 29-A, section 2081, subsection 3-A, a person detained solely for a violation of Title 29-A, section 2081, subsection 3-A before April 1, 2008 may only be issued a warning.

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#### CHAPTER 61

### S.P. 177 - L.D. 565

## An Act To Remove the Sunset on the Exemption of Internet Services from Auctioneer Licensure Requirements

**Emergency preamble. Whereas,** acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, current law provides an exemption from auctioneering licensing requirements for a person who receives goods pursuant to a contract to sell those goods over the Internet; and

Whereas, the exemption is scheduled to terminate May 15, 2007; and

Whereas, that date will pass prior to the statutory adjournment date of the First Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature, which will create uncertainty as to the application of the auctioneering laws; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

**Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §286, sub-§8,** as enacted by PL 2005, c. 349, §1, is amended to read:

**8.** Contracted Internet services. This chapter does not apply to an individual who takes possession of goods pursuant to a contract for the exclusive purpose of selling those goods over the Internet, unless otherwise licensed under this chapter.

This subsection is repealed May 15, 2007.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.

Effective April 30, 2007.

# CHAPTER 62

# H.P. 381 - L.D. 497

## An Act To Allow Funeral Processions To Use Certain Lights

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: